

REMARKS

In the Office Action, Claims 1-13, 15-19, 21-24 and 30-33 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Dunworth et al. (U.S. Patent 5,930,474) in view of Da et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,252,545). Base claims 1, 7 and 15 have been amended. Support for amended claims 1, 7 and 15 can be found in the specification at on page 13, lines 3-20 and page 16, line 20 through page 17, line 3. Claims 1-13, 15-19, and 21-29 are pending in this application.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims, as amended, are patentable for at least the following reasons.

A claimed invention is prima facie obvious when three basic criteria are met. First, there must be some suggestion or motivation, either in the reference themselves or in the knowledge generally available to one of ordinary skill in the art, to modify the reference or to combine the teachings therein. Second, there must be a reasonable expectation of success. And, third, the prior art reference or combined references must teach or suggest all the claim limitations.

Base claim 1 has been amended to recite (*inter alia*): entering search criteria, including position information, for locating at least one hypertext document, wherein said hypertext document includes a geographic position information in a metatag, wherein said geographic position information relates to a business/residence address or server location... Independent claim 15 recite similar limitations.

Base claim 7 has been amended to recite (*inter alia*): receiving a client position information request from the client, wherein a first geographic position identifiable by the client and the search result for the search criteria is used for determining a geographic position of the client using the GPS client/server network.

Dunworth teaches in col. 10, lines 47-52 that a user can select a geographic area, such as a city, and thereafter a user can obtain hypertext information relating to the selected geographic area. Accordingly, the Dunworth invention does not (1) receive search criteria for locating a world wide web page based upon a GPS data (since a user simply selects a geographic area) and nor does the hypertext document include geographic position information in a metatag, wherein said geographic position information relates to a business/residence address or server location (since there is no need, because again a user simply selects an area). The addition of Da does not cure the infirmities of Dunworth.

Neither Dunworth nor Da, individually or in combination, discloses or suggests all the elements of the present invention. Further, even if the devices of Dunworth and Da were combined, as suggested by the examiner, the combined device would not disclose all the elements of the invention recited in claim 1, 7 and 15 and would not perform the steps disclosed. The combination of Dunworth and Da would not contain position information, for locating at least one hypertext document, wherein said hypertext document includes a geographic position information in a metatag, wherein said geographic position information relates to a

business/residence address, or server location, which is used for a requested search, or use such information to determine a client's location.

Since Dunworth and Da, alone or in combination, fail to teach, show or imply all of the limitations of amended independent claims 1, 7 and 15, applicant submits these claims are patentable under 35 U.S.C 103.

The other claims in this application are dependent upon the independent claims discussed above and are therefore believed patentable once the independent claims are allowed.

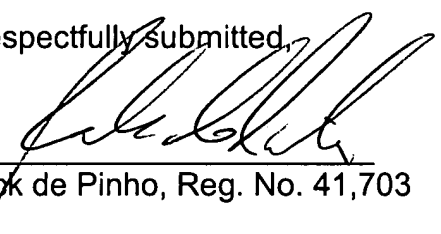
Reconsideration and withdrawal of this ground of rejection is respectfully requested.

The applicants submit that the claims, as they now stand, fully satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 103. In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, entry of this amendment, favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application are respectfully solicited.

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